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9: 18-19

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REFLECT: In what area do you need a new beginning in your life today? How can you get it? How did Noah, Mrs. Noah, their sons and their wives get it?



Now we come to a new beginning. It is difficult for us today to realize what a world-shattering beginning it was. **The sons of Noah who came out of the ark were Shem, Ham and Japheth (9:18a).** Mankind had the opportunity to start a “new creation.” This was the record of **the three sons of Noah (Genesis 5:32; 6:10; 7:13; 10:1 and First Chronicles 1:4).** This statement connects this section with the Flood account.

Ham was the father of Canaan (9:18b). This statement connects this statement with the next section. **Ham**, acting as **he** did, showed that **he** was the true father of **Canaan** and **how Noah came to curse Canaan for Ham’s sin.**

These were the three sons of Noah, and from them came the people who were scattered over the earth (9:19). This was a fresh start, a new beginning for mankind. All of humanity descended from these **three** men because **Noah** had no more **sons** after the Flood. While the Flood had wiped out sinful people, the sin nature of humanity remained in



the heart of **Noah** and **his children**. **For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23)**. Would **they** be more successful in avoiding **sin**? The answer comes quickly.¹⁶⁸